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Maudie's Naughties



Eye Test

An Eastern Europe immigrant applies for a driver's license. He has to take an eyesight test. The optician shows him a card with the letters "C Z W I X N O S T A C Z."

"Can you read this?" the optician asks.

"Read it!?" the man replies, "That's my first cousin!"

Beware of Dog

Upon entering the little country store, the stranger notices a sign saying: DANGER! BEWARE OF DOG! posted on the glass door. Inside he notices a harmless old hound dog asleep on the floor besides the cash register.

He asks the store manager, "Is THAT the dog folks are supposed to beware of?"

"Yep, that's him," he replies.

The stranger can't help but be amused. "That certainly doesn't look like a dangerous dog to me. Why in the world would you post that sign?"

"Because"; the owner replies, "before I posted that sign, people kept tripping over him."

The Elephants vs. The Ants

It is a boring Sunday afternoon in the jungle so the Elephants decide to challenge the Ants to a game of soccer. The game is going well with the Elephants beating the Ants ten goals to nil, when the Ants gain possession.

The Ants' star player is dribbling the ball towards the Elephants' goal when the Elephants' left back comes lumbering towards him. The elephant treads on the little ant, killing him instantly.

The referee stops the game. "What the heck do you think you're doing? Do you call that sportsmanship, killing another player?"

The elephant replies, "Well, I didn't mean to kill him -- I was just trying to trip him up."

Running Rabbits

Two little rabbits are running for their lives in front of a pack of wolves. The one in front yells over his shoulder, "Follow me, I know where there is a place we can hide 'til we outnumber em!"

The other yells back, "Keep running. Did you forget that we are brothers?"

Unusual

A woman walks out of a movie theatre with a dog on a leash. A man following behind her stops her and says, "I'm sorry to bother you, but I couldn't help but notice that your dog was really into the movie. He cried at the right spots, he moved nervously in his seat at the boring parts, but most of all, he laughed like crazy at the funny parts. That's amazing!"

"Not really," she replies.

"You don't find it unusual?" he asks!

"No," she replies, "Except that he hated the book!"

Talking Clock

While proudly showing off his new apartment to friends, a college student leads the way into the den. "What is the big brass gong and hammer for?" one of his friends asks.

"That is the talking clock", the man replies.

"How's it work?" the friend asks.

"Watch", the man said then proceeds to give the gong an ear-shattering pound with the hammer.

Suddenly someone screams from the other side of the wall "KNOCK IT OFF, YOU JERK! It's 2 a.m.!"

Three Shots

A man comes into a bar and orders three shots of Scotch whiskey, which he quickly drinks one after another. When he finishes the last one, he orders three more.

The bartender says, "You know, that isn't good for you."

"I know," the man replies, "Particularly with what I have."

"What do you have?" the bartender asks.

"Empty pockets."

Seeing the Doc!

Joe goes to a psychiatrist the week before Thanksgiving because of fears he has as the holiday approaches.

"What is it that scares you so much about Thanksgiving?" asks the doctor.

"Well," replies Joe. "I've always had this feeling that I was a turkey."

"I see," says the doctor. "How long have you felt this way?"

"Since Mom laid my egg in 1974..."

Last candidate forum was Thurs.

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Rhonda Childers said she had worked extensively with nonprofits and had written grants of them.

On economic opportunities, Childers stated that tourism was an opportunity for this county.

Watson agreed that tourism was an opportunity. He added he would like to see a small factory that employs 20-30 people locate in the industrial park.

The candidates were asked how they would repair deteriorated county roads.

Watson said he would work with the state on state maintained roads. He knew how to operate equipment to ditch roads to keep the water out. The roads would also be maintained on a systematic approach.

Childers said the deteriorating road conditions come back to the county budget.

Childers said she had attended a meeting in which candidates were told the state would not approve a working jail in Estill County unless it would hold at least 150 inmates. She estimated that would cost \$25 million.

"There's no way we could have a jail. We can't afford a \$25 million jail," Watson stated.

He added the county can try to get the drug problem under control.

Watson said he was prepared for today's technology after retiring as a supervisor with the Trane Company. He had attended computer classes at Kentucky State

Technical School.

He added all employee records, blueprints, evaluations, reprimands, time sheets and spread sheets were kept on the computer. "I am quit capable (in technology)," Childers stated.

The forum, in its entirety, can be seen on the Estill Action Group's Facebook page.

Ravenna is expected to finish in the black at end of fiscal year

Is the city of Ravenna in debt for \$25,000 this year?

A financial statement for September was given to councilors and members of the press at the October meeting of the Ravenna Council.

It showed the city began Sept. 1 with a balance of \$14,849.56 and ended on Sept. 30 with a balance of \$11,777.54 in its general fund.

All other funds ended with the same balance at the end of the month as they had on the first day, except for the Municipal Road Aid Fund (MRA) and Railroad Festival Fund.

The city held its Railroad Festival in Sept. and that fund increased by over \$1,100 to \$5,899.37.

A payment of \$500 was transferred from the General Fund to the MRA fund, which gave it a balance of \$4,385.79.

When a former mayor left office, it was determined through audits that \$61,000 in MRA funds were not used appropriately. Because of that finding, the city is required to repay those funds to the MRA Fund.

Mayor Estine Tipton said the city transfers \$500 from its General Fund to the MRA fund each month as a repayment. She added this money

stays in the city and does not go to Frankfort.

Tipton said when she became mayor in 2013, the city owed three bank loans totalling about \$37,000. The council voted to consolidate those loans into one.

A \$300 monthly payment is made on the consolidated loan. Since 2013, the city has reduced the loan to \$27,000.

Other than the bank loan and MRA payment to the city, Ravenna is not expected to finish the year in debt.

The salary of former SRO Michael Gross was included in this year's budget. It is not likely the city will replace the SRO officer.

To hire another police officer for Ravenna, the council must vote to advertise for one to fill a position.

Mayor Tipton said the city audits would soon be completed by the auditor. When the audits are completed, the city will receive new MRA funds from the state.

Municipal Road Aid funds come from gasoline taxes collected by the state at the pump. The monies are then distributed to cities and municipalities based upon population.

The MRA monies can be used for the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of city streets.

Coffee and Donuts With the Candidates

The Estill County Republican candidates for office will be hosting coffee and donuts at the Steam Engine Session Room Saturday, November 3, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

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